ation the jury is hereby directed to ascertain and describe the bounds of the land by them valued, and the quality and duration of the estate in the same, required by said company for its use; provided, nevertheless, that no such inquisition shall be taken unless previous notice of the time and place of taking the same shall be given to the person or persons interested in the land about to be condemned, by personal service of such notice upon him, her or them, or by leaving such notice at his. her or their place of abode, or by inserting said notice for three successive weeks in some newspaper published in the town of Cambridge; and in lieu of a continuous canal along said runs, and for the purposes of improving the navigation of said Blackwater, Transquakin and Chicamicomico rivers, the said company shall have power to use, occupy and possess so much of the bed and waters of said rivers as may be necessary, and to make a cut across any neck or peninsula formed by the bends of said rivers so as to straighten or deepen said rivers, and the same shall be considered part of said canal, and in case said canal, or any part of it, or any improvement in said rivers shall be made on, over or across any unpatented land or lands not heretofore granted by the State, the said State hereby waivers all claim for damages and grants the right of way to the said company.

SEC. 6. And be it enacted, That the said president and directors, upon paying or tendering payment to the owner or owners of the said land, the sum so awarded by the jurors aforesaid, as the case may be, they shall have power to enter upon said land, cut, dig and make said canal, and the improvements in the navigation of said rivers, and do all other things necessary to make the improve-

ments contemplated by this act.

Sec. 7. And be it enacted, That said company shall be authorized and empowered to buy and to sell, to hold, improve and to drain either upland or marsh land, by canal or by embankments, any lands in said county bordering on, in the vicinity of, or between the said Blackwater, Transquakin and Chicamicomico rivers, also to open and use roads from the said rivers or canal to any parts in

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